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1. SPAIN: THE VIOLENT DISPERSAL BY RIOT POLICE OF TWO SOCIALIST RALLIES IN MADRID ON MONDAY 11.11 FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE HAND OF THOSE WHO SEEK TO DISCREDIT KING JUAN CARLOS' ATTEMPTS TO LIBERALIZE THE POLITICAL SYSTEM AND COULD GENERATE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE SERIES OF STRIKES PLANNED FOR THIS WEEK.4

THE GOVERNMENT'S HARSH RESPONSE TO DEMONSTRATIONS OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS APPEARS TO BE PLAYING INTO THE HANDS OF THE COMMUNISTS, WHO APPARENTLY HOPE TO PROVOKE AN OVERREACTION FROM THE POLICE IN AN EFFORT TO DEMONSTRATE THAT FRANCO-~~IS~~-TYPE REPRESSION DID NOT DIE WITH THE GENERALISSIMO. THE COMMUNIST-INSPIRED DEMONSTRATIONS THAT WERE BROKEN UP OVER THE WEEKEND MAY WELL HAVE BEEN INTENDED TO SET THE STAGE FOR CONFRONTATION, WHICH THE PARTY APPARENTLY HOPES WILL BRING LEFTIST DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION GROUPS INTO A UNITED FRONT AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.4

THE COMMUNIST-DOMINATED WORKERS' COMMISSIONS HAVE CALLED FOR STRIKES BY CONSTRUCTION AND METAL WORKERS IN THE MADRID AREA ON

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THE FAR RIGHT MAY ALSO BE ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM THE COMMUNIST TACTICS. PRIME MINISTER ARIAS REPORTEDLY IS TRYING TO FORM A NEW CABINET THAT WOULD BE MORE RECEPTIVE TO AN OPENING OF THE POLITICAL SYSTEM. ULTRARIGHTISTS STRIVING TO PREVENT LIBERALIZATION OF THE CABINET WILL BE ABLE TO POINT TO THE FREQUENT CLASHES BETWEEN SECURI

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FORCES AND LEFTIST DEMONSTRATORS AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE DANGERS OF SUCH A MOVE. {CONFIDENTIAL}4

2. POLAND: EDWARD GIEREK OPENED THE POLISH PARTY'S SEVENTH CONGRESS ON MONDAY WITH A RECITATION OF POLAND'S ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROGRESS SINCE 1971.4

THE PARTY LEADER EMPHASIZED THAT THE PEOPLE ARE NOW LIVING BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE AND THAT THE PARTY WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE LIVING STANDARD. FOR THE POLISH CONSUMER, GIEREK HAD THE WELCOME NEWS THAT PRICE INCREASES ON BASIC FOOD ITEMS WILL BE DELAYED WELL INTO NEXT YEAR AND THAT OVERCOMING DIFFICULTIES IN MEAT SUPPLIES IS ONE OF THE PARTY'S MOST IMPORTANT GOALS. GIEREK SAID THAT THE PRICE POLICY FOR 1976-1980 WOULD ENSURE INCREASES IN REAL WAGES.4

ON INTERNAL POLITICAL MATTERS, GIEREK REPEATED THE STANDARD FORMULATIONS ON THE NEED TO INCREASE THE MILITANCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF IDEOLOGICAL ACTIVITY. HE ALSO PROPOSED THAT THE PERIOD BETWEEN PARTY CONGRESSES BE EXTENDED TO FIVE YEARS AND SAID THAT SEVERAL CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS WERE NEEDED TO REFLECT THE SOCIALIST NATURE OF

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GIEREK PAID THE REQUISITE TRIBUTE TO MOSCOW, SAYING THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS THE "LEADING FORCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT." HE CALLED FOR EXPANSION OF COOPERATION WITHIN CCMA, CLAIMED THAT "GOOD CONDITIONS" ARE SHAPING UP FOR A EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTY CONFERENCE, AND SAID THE POLISH PARTY FAVORS THE IDEA OF A NEW WORLD CONFERENCE.4

SOVIET PARTY LEADER BREZHNEV IS PRESENT ALONG WITH MOST OF THE EAST EUROPEAN PARTY LEADERS; THE NOTABLE EXCEPTION IS ROMANIA'S PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU. BREZHNEV ADDRESSED THE CONGRESS ON TUESDAY. {CONFIDENTIAL}4

3. USSR: TWO LEADING DISSIDENTS CLOSE TO NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER ANDREY SAKHAROV WENT ON TRIAL THIS WEEK. THE TIMING IS PROBABLY NOT ACCIDENTAL. BY HAVING THE TRIALS OVERLAP THE DATE ON WHICH SAKHAROV WAS TO HAVE RECEIVED THE AWARD IN OSLO {DECEMBER 10}, THE REGIME WOULD UNDERSCORE THAT PUBLICITY SURROUNDING SAKHAROV'S CASE WILL NOT DETER IT FROM ENFORCING DOMESTIC CONTROLS.4

THE TRIAL OF BIOLOGIST SERGEY KOVALEV BEGAN DECEMBER 9 IN

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VILNIUS, LITHUANIA, WHERE HE HAS BEEN DETAINED SINCE HIS ARREST A YEAR AGO. ALTHOUGH KOVALEV IS CHARGED WITH "ANTI-SOVIET AGITATION" STEMMING FROM HIS ALLEGED SUPPORT OF UNDERGROUND LITHUANIAN CATHOLIC ACTIVITIES, HIS FORMER ROLE IN THE ILLEGAL MOSCOW CHAPTER OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL AND HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH SAKHAROV PROBABLY CONTRIBUTE TO HIS TRAVAILS.

THE CONNECTION IS EVEN CLEARER IN THE CASE OF ANDREY TVERDOKHLEBOV, THE FORMER SECRETARY OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL'S MOSCOW BRANCH AND A CO-FOUNDER OF SAKHAROV'S "DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT." THE TRIAL OF TVERDOKHLEBOV, WHO WAS ARRESTED IN APRIL, HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN POSTPONED SEVERAL TIMES; IT ALSO BEGAN ON DECEMBER 9.

SAKHAROV HAS REPEATEDLY PROTESTED THE DETENTION OF HIS TWO COLLEAGUES, AND IN A GESTURE OF DEFIANCE, LAST MONTH FORMALLY INVITED THEM AMONG OTHERS TO THE OSLO NOBEL AWARD CEREMONY WHICH HE HIMSELF HAS BEEN PREVENTED FROM ATTENDING. BY HOLDING THE TRIALS OF THE TWO THIS WEEK, THE REGIME IS MAKING ITS OWN STRONG COUNTER-GESTURE TO SAKHAROV AND HIS ALLIES AT HOME AND ABROAD.

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ALTHOUGH THE REGIME HAS NOT FORECLOSED ITS OPTION OF EXPELLING SAKHAROV FROM THE USSR AT ANY TIME, THERE IS NO SIGN THAT HE WILL BE PERMITTED--OR FORCED--TO LEAVE BEFORE THE AWARD CEREMONY. HIS WIFE, WHO HAS BEEN IN THE WEST FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT AND WHOM SAKHAROV DELEGATED TO RECEIVE HIS PRIZE, HAS A SOVIET RE-ENTRY VISA VALID UNTIL DECEMBER 20. BOTH SAKHAROV AND HIS WIFE REMAIN ANXIOUS, HOWEVER, THAT THE REGIME MAY BAR HER RETURN HOME AT THE LAST MOMENT. FAR FROM KEEPING HIS HEAD DOWN, HOWEVER, SAKHAROV AGAIN THIS YEAR LED SOME 70 OTHER DISSIDENTS IN THE ANNUAL HUMAN RIGHTS VIGIL ON DECEMBER 5 {CONSTITUTION DAY} IN MOSCOW'S PUSHKIN SQUARE.

MEANWHILE, THE USSR'S OTHER NOBEL PRIZE WINNER, ESTABLISHMENT ECONOMIST LEONID KANTOROVICH, IS ALREADY IN STOCKHOLM, WHERE ON DECEMBER 10 HE WILL SHARE THIS YEAR'S ECONOMICS PRIZE WITH US SCIENTIST KOOPMANS. KANTOROVICH'S WORK ON OPTIMAL USE OF RESOURCES HAS BEEN REFORMIST BY SOVIET STANDARDS, BUT HIS PUBLIC POLITICS ARE CLEARLY ORTHODOX: IN A STOCKHOLM INTERVIEW LAST SUNDAY HE REFERRED TO THE USSR'S "PERFECT, SOCIALIST SYSTEM." {CONFIDENTIAL} E-2, IMPDET.

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EAST ASIA BRIEF 189-75.4

1. LAOS-NORTH VIETNAM: HANOI HAS BEGUN A SMALL-SCALE AIRLIFT INTO VIENTIANE TO HELP OFFSET SUPPLY SHORTAGES RESULTING FROM THE CLOSURE OF THE THAI BORDER.4

THE LAO COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER IN VIENTIANE REVEALED ON DECEMBER 8 THAT NORTH VIETNAM HAD BEGUN AN AIRLIFT USING TWO CAPTURED US C-130S TO MOVE MILK, SUGAR, AND GASOLINE TO THE CAPITAL. ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER, SUPPLIES WILL ALSO BE SHIPPED IN BY TRUCK. THE INITIAL AIR PHASE IS SCHEDULED TO LAST 20 DAYS, BUT SHIPMENTS WILL CONTINUE BY ROAD AND AIR AS LONG AS NECESSARY.4

THE THAI CLOSED THE BORDER LATE LAST MONTH FOLLOWING A LAO ATTACK ON A THAI PATROL BOAT. THE CLOSURE HAS LED TO THE DISAPPEARANCE OF SOME FOOD ITEMS FROM VIENTIANE MARKETS AS WELL AS A DRAMATIC INCREASE IN THE PRICE OF MOST CONSUMER ITEMS. GASOLINE IS AVAILABLE ONLY ON THE BLACK MARKET AND AT VASTLY INFLATED PRICES.4

UNLESS MAJOR DELIVERIES ARE MADE BY ROAD, THE VIETNAMESE SUPPLY EFFORT WILL NOT COMPENSATE FOR THE BORDER CLOSURE. HANOI PROBABLY INTENDS, HOWEVER, THAT THE SUPPLY OF VITALLY NEEDED SUP-

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PLIES WILL SERVE AS A GESTURE OF SUPPORT FOR THEIR LAO ALLIES AND
 WILL STRENGTHEN VIENTIANE'S HAND IN DEALING WITH BANGKOK ON THE
 BORDER PROBLEM. {CONFIDENTIAL} E-2 IMPDET-H

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MIDDLE EAST AFRICA BRIEF 189-75.4

1. LEBANON: ARMY COMMANDOS MOVED INTO BEIRUT'S COMMERCIAL DISTRICT LAST NIGHT TO PROTECT GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. AFTER HEAVY FIGHTING BETWEEN CHRISTIAN AND MUSLIM MILITIAMEN SPREAD FROM SUBURBAN TROUBLESPOTS TO CENTRAL BEIRUT AND THE CITY'S HOTEL DISTRICT.4

ARMY SPOKESMEN SOUGHT TO LIMIT MUSLIM AND PALESTINIAN REACTION BY CLAIMING THAT THE 100-MAN ARMY FORCE IS INTENDED TO CREATE A "SECURITY BELT" IN THE CITY, NOT TO ENTER INTO THE FIGHTING. THE LEFTISTS HAVE ALREADY CHARGED THAT THE GOVERNMENT MOVE IS DIRECTED AT THEM, BECAUSE THE HEAVILY ARMED UNIT WAS DISPATCHED AFTER LEFTIST AND MUSLIM FORCES HAD ATTACKED POSITIONS OCCUPIED BY MILITIA OF THE CHRISTIAN PHALANGES PARTY.4

EVEN THIS LIMITED USE OF THE ARMY IN CENTRAL BEIRUT IS THE MOST FORCEFUL ACTION BY THE GOVERNMENT SO FAR THIS YEAR TO END CIVIL UNREST. IT REPRESENTS A COMPROMISE BETWEEN INTERIOR MINISTER SHAMUN, WHO HAS LONG FAVORED CALLING IN THE 18,000-MAN ARMY, AND PRIME MINISTER KARAMI, WHO HAS NOT WANTED

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TO ALIENATE HIS MUSLIM SUPPORTERS BY INVOLVING THE ARMY WHICH
IS LED LARGELY BY CHRISTIAN OFFICERS.4

KARAMI LATE^{ON MONDAY} TOOK PAINS TO EXPLAIN TO NEWSMEN THAT THE
GOVERNMENT HAD NOT YET DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY. IN THE
PAST, SUCH A STEP HAS ALWAYS BEEN TAKEN BEFORE LARGE ARMY
UNITS WERE CALLED IN.4

THE CURRENT SURGE OF ARMED CLASHES HAS GROWN OUT OF
PHALANGIST EFFORTS [✓] OVER THE WEEKEND TO AVENGE THE KILLING OF
FOUR OF THEIR MILITIAMEN LAST FRIDAY. WIDESPREAD KIDNAPINGS
AND MURDERS BY PHALANGIST MILITIAMEN--APPARENTLY ACTING WITHOUT
INSTRUCTIONS FROM THEIR LEADER, PIERRE JUMAYYIL, WHO WAS IN
DAMASCUS ON A PEACE MISSION--GAVE RADICAL LEBANESE LEFTISTS
AND REJECTIONIST PALESTINIANS AN EXCUSE TO RETALIATE HEAVILY
AND CAUSE HOSTILITIES TO SPREAD.4

ACCORDING TO ONE PRESS REPORT FROM BEIRUT, PALESTINIAN
GUERRILLAS WERE LEADING SOME LEFTIST BANDS. FEDAYEEN FROM THE
LARGE COMMANDO GROUPS FOUGHT WITH THE LEBANESE LEFTISTS FOR A
BRIEF PERIOD IN LATE OCTOBER.4

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THE RESUMPTION OF HEAVY FIGHTING HAS COME AT A TIME WHEN PROSPECTS FOR PROGRESS IN THE POLITICAL NEGOTIATIONS WERE GOOD AND WHEN CONSERVATIVE MUSLIM POLITICIANS HAD BEGUN A CAUTIOUS EFFORT TO ISOLATE THE FAR LEFT POLITICALLY. RADICALS BOTH OUTSIDE AND INSIDE THE MAJOR CHRISTIAN AND MUSLIM MILITIAS WERE FEARFUL THAT JUMAYYIL MIGHT STRIKE A BARGAIN WITH SYRIAN PRESIDENT ASAD, AND THEREFORE WERE EAGER TO UNDERMINE HIS MISSION WITH A RETURN TO VIOLENCE.Y

A MUSLIM DELEGATION THAT INCLUDED THREE FORMER LEBANESE PRIME MINISTERS TRAVELED TO DAMASCUS ON SUNDAY, PRESUMABLY TO AFFIRM THAT ASAD HAD NOT PROMISED JUMAYYIL ANY CONCESSIONS THAT WOULD THREATEN THE INTERESTS OF LEBANESE MUSLIMS. THEY MAY ALSO HAVE URGED THAT SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER KHADDAM VISIT BEIRUT AGAIN TO MEDIATE THE LEBANESE DISPUTE. {CONFIDENTIAL}.Y

2. ANGOLA: THE POPULAR MOVEMENT FOR THE LIBERATION OF ANGOLA IS MAKING SLOW BUT STEADY PROGRESS IN OBTAINING INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF ITS GOVERNMENT IN LUANDA.Y

OVER THE WEEKEND, TANZANIA BECAME THE 13TH AFRICAN STATE

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TO RECOGNIZE THE REGIME. A TOTAL OF 29 GOVERNMENTS--INCLUDING
12 COMMUNIST COUNTRIES, 3 ARAB STATES, AND BRAZIL--NOW
RECOGNIZE THE POPULAR MOVEMENT AS THE SOLE LEGITIMATE GOVERN-
MENT OF ANGOLA. Y

NO STATE HAS RECOGNIZED THE REGIME PROCLAIMED JOINTLY BY THE NATIONAL FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF ANGOLA AND THE NATIONAL UNION FOR THE TOTAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA. IT WAS NOT UNTIL LAST WEDNESDAY THAT THE COALITION WAS INAUGURATED IN HUAMBO, THE FORMER NOVA LISBOA. EXTENDED WRANGLING BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS OVER ITS ORGANIZATION AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF CABINET PORTFOLIOS HAD DELAYED FORMATION OF THE COALITION.4

MOST COUNTRIES OUTSIDE AFRICA CLEARLY ARE TAKING A "WAIT-
AND-SEE" POSITION ON RECOGNITION, PENDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
CLEAR-CUT AFRICAN CONSENSUS IN FAVOR OF ONE OF THE ANGOLAN
CLAIMANTS. IN AFRICA, THE PUBLICITY GIVEN TO SOUTH AFRICAN
MILITARY SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL FRONT AND THE NATIONAL UNION,
TOGETHER WITH NIGERIA'S RECENT RECOGNITION OF THE POPULAR
MOVEMENT, HAS GENERATED HEAVY PRESSURE ON UNCOMMITTED AFRICAN

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GOVERNMENTS TO RECOGNIZE THE LUANDA REGIME. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT NIGERIA MAY HAVE BEGUN A DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN TO AFRICA TO SOLICIT RECOGNITION FOR THE POPULAR MOVEMENT.

THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY MAY SOON SUMMON AN EMERGENCY SUMMIT MEETING ON ANGOLA. THE PROPOSAL NEEDS THE APPROVAL OF ONLY TWO MORE MEMBER STATES TO BE ADOPTED. IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT AN OAU SUMMIT WOULD FOCUS ON THE ISSUE OF OUTSIDE INTERVENTION, PARTICULARLY THAT OF SOUTH AFRICA, RATHER THAN ARRANGING A CEASE-FIRE OR A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY. THE OAU MAY EVEN DECIDE TO ABANDON ITS NEUTRALITY IN THE ANGOLAN CONFLICT, WHICH WOULD LEAVE MEMBER STATES THAT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA'S INTERVENTION FREE TO RECOGNIZE THE POPULAR MOVEMENT. {CONFIDENTIAL}.DE-2, IMPDET..H

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//CHILE: ATTITUDES TOWARD THE US WITHIN THE CHILEAN MILITARY ARE BEGINNING TO HARDEN IN REACTION TO WHAT IS PERCEIVED AS GROWING US GOVERNMENT OPPOSITION TO THE JUNTA.//Y

//THIS WORSENING CLIMATE IS NOT LIKELY TO PORTEND A RADICAL SHIFT IN RELATIONS, BUT IT IS PROBABLY A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR ADDING TO THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT'S SENSE OF INSECURITY AND ISOLATION AT A TIME WHEN CHILE HAS COME TO REALIZE THAT ITS INTERNATIONAL IMAGE HAS REACHED ITS LOWEST POINT SINCE THE ARMED FORCES ASSUMED POWER.//Y

//ANTI-US SENTIMENT REPORTEDLY IS EVIDENT AMONG THE MIDDLE AND JUNIOR OFFICER RANKS, AND MILITARY LEADERS EXPECT THE GAP TO WIDEN WITH THE EXPECTED BUT-OFF OF US MILITARY TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE. FOR THE MOST PART, THE CHILEAN MILITARY IS A CONSERVATIVE INSTITUTION AND CAN BE EXPECTED TO COMPENSATE FOR THIS LOSS BY STRENGTHENING ITS TIES WITH SIMILAR MILITARY ESTABLISHMENTS ELSEWHERE IN SOUTH AMERICA, FOR EXAMPLE BRAZIL. ITS ABILITY TO FIND ALTERNATE SUPPLIERS OF ARMS ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING, HOWEVER, WILL CONTINUE TO BE LIMITED.//Y

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//THE PARIAH STATUS IMPOSED ON CHILE BY THE OUTSIDE WORLD BECAUSE OF ITS HUMAN RIGHTS STAND MAY BE REINFORCING PRESIDENT PINOCHET'S HARSH APPROACH TO OTHER SENSITIVE DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS. GOVERNMENT APPREHENSION OVER REPORTS ALLEGING THAT LEFTISTS INTENDED TO TURN AN ANNUAL RELIGIOUS OBSERVATION INTO ANTIGOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS CAUSED A SHARP DETERIORATION IN CHURCH-STATE RELATIONS. THE PRESIDENTIAL EDICT RESTRICTING THE CEREMONY PROVOKED CHURCH LEADERS INTO CANCELING THE EVENT AND CAUSED SOME TOP ARMY OFFICIALS TO QUESTION THE WISDOM OF PINOCHET'S DECISION. ALTHOUGH THE CHURCH WILL PROBABLY SPEAK OUT MORE FORCEFULLY IN THE FUTURE, ITS RELATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE SEVERED COMPLETELY, SINCE THAT WOULD NOT BE IN THE INTERESTS OF EITHER PARTY.//4

//ON YET ANOTHER FRONT, PINOCHET HAS SHOWN SIGNS OF TAKING A HARD LINE IN GRANTING SAFE CONDUCT TO LEFTISTS WHO HAVE SOUGHT REFUGE IN VARIOUS EMBASSIES IN SANTIAGO. THE PINOCHET GOVERNMENT IS TAKING THIS LINE BECAUSE IT INSISTS THAT THE ASYLEES--WHO INCLUDE LEADERS OF THE MAJOR TERRORIST ORGANIZATION--ARE "COMMON CRIMINALS" AND THEREFORE DO NOT FALL UNDER NORMAL PROVISIONS REGARDING POLITICAL

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ASYLUM. THERE IS A GOOD CHANCE THAT THIS ISSUE WILL WORSEN RELATIONS
WITH SOME FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND STIR NEW CHARGES ABROAD THAT THE
JUNTA IS VIOLATING ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS. (CONFIDENTIAL
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